



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RETIREMENT BOARD  
OF THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES' AND OFFICERS' ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND  
OF COOK COUNTY AND EX OFFICIO FOR THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
EMPLOYEES' ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND OF COOK COUNTY  
33 N Dearborn St, Suite 1000  
Chicago, IL 60602**

**Minutes for the August 18, 2016 Special Meeting of the Board**

The County Employees' and Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Cook County and the Forest Preserve District Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Cook County are herein collectively referred to as the "Fund."

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

**Trustees Present:** John Fitzgerald, Diahann Goode, Alexis Herrera, Patrick McFadden, Joseph Nevius, Dennis White (arrived while meeting in progress), Lawrence Wilson

**Staff Present:** Margaret Fahrenbach, Legal Advisor; Beverly Romanini, Office Manager

Trustee Herrera, President of the Board, opened the meeting for public comment and, no member of the public being present and requesting to address the Board, the next item of business on the Agenda was considered.

**1. Cook County Employee Candidate Review & Recommendation<sup>1</sup>**

Trustee Herrera stated that the Special Meeting was convened to allow the Board to consider those candidates proposed by the Trustee Selection Committee at their meeting on August 4, 2016, for appointment to the vacant County employee member position. The President stated that the Trustee Selection Committee had asked Eddie Cole, Jr.; Michael S. Hickey; Andrew Jatico and Rose Ponce de Leon-Hale to appear before the Board at this Special Meeting. She stated that each candidate would have 15 minutes to present themselves to the Board and that each would be asked a series of questions regarding their qualifications. The trustees would have the opportunity to ask additional questions. The candidates would be encouraged to run for election to the Board if they were not selected to fill the vacancy. Ms. Herrera proposed that the candidates' presentations and the question and answer period be conducted in Open Session and that the Board convene an Executive

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<sup>1</sup> Executive Session may be required under Section 2(c)(3) of the Open Meetings Act or as otherwise appropriate.

Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(3) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment to the vacant County employee member position.

Candidates Eddie Cole, Jr; Michael S. Hickey, Andrew Jatico and Rose Ponce de Leon-Hale then each separately appeared before the Board and presented their qualifications. Questions from the Board were proposed to each candidate and the trustees asked individual questions for further clarification. Each candidate was advised that the Board intended to make the appointment during the Special Meeting and that they would be notified of the Board’s decision shortly thereafter. The candidates were told that petitions for election to the Board as a County employee member were currently available at the Fund.

Upon the conclusion of the candidates’ presentations and questioning, it was moved by Trustee Goode and seconded by Trustee Nevius, that the Board convene an Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(3) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment of a candidate to fill the vacant County employee member position pursuant to Section 9-187 of the Illinois Pension Code.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Goode, Fitzgerald, Herrera, McFadden, Nevius, White, Wilson  
NAYS: None

Vote Result: MOTION ADOPTED

The Executive Session was convened and the Board returned to Open Session. It was then moved by Trustee Wilson and seconded by Trustee White, pursuant to Section 9-187 of the Illinois Pension Code, that Andrew Jatico be appointed to fill the vacant County employee member position on the Retirement Board and that he should serve in that position to December 1, 2017.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Fitzgerald, Herrera, Nevius, White, Wilson  
NAYS: Goode, McFadden

Vote Result: MOTION ADOPTED

## 2. Adjournment

It was moved by Trustee White and seconded by Trustee Wilson that the Special Board Meeting be adjourned.

Vote Result: MOTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE